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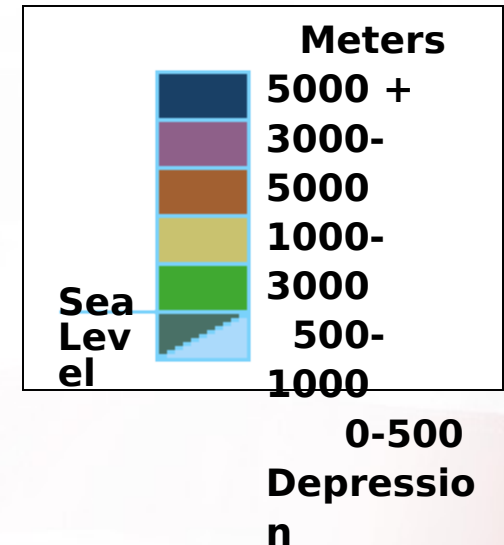
- Unexploded ordinance may remain in back country
- Struggling economy



El Salvador: Environmental Issues

- Topography
- Climate

**Tropical;
rainy season
(May to
October);
dry season
(November
to April);
tropical on
coast;
temperate in
uplands**



**Mostly mountains with
narrow coastal belt and
central plateau**

***lowest point:* Pacific
Ocean 0 m**

***highest point:* Cerro El
Pital 2,250 m**

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El Salvador: Environmental Issues

- Industries
 - Agriculture, textiles, and petroleum transport/refining
- Water
 - Surface water contaminated with raw sewage, industrial waste, and agricultural runoff
- Food
 - Fecal contamination due to raw sewage used as fertilizer

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El Salvador: Environmental Issues

- Greatest short-term environmental health risks
 - Water and food contaminated with raw sewage or runoff
 - Extreme heat

El Salvador: Diseases of Operational Importance

- High risk country
- Diseases of greatest risk
 - Food and Waterborne: bacterial diarrhea, hepatitis A
 - Vector-borne: dengue fever, malaria

El Salvador: Diseases of Operational Importance

- Diseases of potential risk
 - Food and Waterborne: brucellosis, cholera, protozoal diarrhea, typhoid/paratyphoid fever
 - Vector-borne: Chagas disease, leishmaniasis
 - Sexually transmitted: gonorrhea/chlamydia, hepatitis B, HIV/AIDS
 - Water contact: leptospirosis
 - Respiratory: tuberculosis
 - Animal contact: anthrax, rabies